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- 1. **AUTHORITY.** To administer existing grants for lake restoration projects under the Clean Lakes Program pursuant to Section 104(h) of the Clean Water Act.
- 2. **TO WHOM DELEGATED.** Director, Water Division.
- 3. **LIMITATIONS.** This authority is limited to the administration of existing grants and the award of grant increases in accordance with guidance issued by the assistant administrator for the Office of Water. It does not authorize the award of new grants under Section 104(h). Approval of any deviations from the regulations, or an amendment to a grant, must be authorized by the Office of Mission Support with the approval of the Office of Water.

4. REDELEGATION AUTHORITY.

- a. This authority may be redelegated to branch chief level, or equivalent, and no further.
- b. An official who redelegates an authority retains the right to exercise or withdraw the authority. Redelegated authority may be exercised by any official in the chain of command down to the official to whom it has been specifically redelegated.

5. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES.

- a. Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1977, P.L. No. 95-224, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 6301 et seq.
- b. Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, Pub. L. No. 106-074, 113 Stat. 1081 (2000).
- c. 40 C.F.R. Chapter 1, Subchapter B, which provides EPA's regulations on Grants and Other Federal Assistance.
- d. 2 C.F.R. Part 200, OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards; and 2 C.F.R. Part 1500, EPA's adoption and supplementation of the OMB uniform award requirements.
- e. EPA Order series 5700, which provides EPA policies regarding assistance agreements.

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f. Delegation 1-14-A, Assistance Agreements, which delegates to the officials in the Mission Support Division the authority to take all necessary actions to award, obligate and de-obligate funds for, and administer fellowship, grant, cooperative and loan agreements, and to make any final determinations required by law or regulations, with eligible recipients.

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Date

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